

Amendments to the Specification:

Please insert the following paragraph immediately following the title:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority benefit of PCT Application No. PCT/JP04/009014, entitled "Plasma Generating Electrode and Plasma Reactor," by Yukio Miyairi, Yasumasa Fujioka, Masaaki Masuda, Takeshi Sakuma, Tatsuhiko Hatano, Yoshihiro Sato, and Junichi Suzuki, filed June 25, 2004, which is based on Japanese Application No. 2003-184092, filed on June 27, 2003 and Japanese Application No. 2003-369886, filed on October 30, 2003. All of the above applications are incorporated herein by reference.